The Optimist Dinghy Sailing Association of Ireland Limited (IODAI)

Annual General Meeting. Tuesday 02 December, 2025 on-line by Teams @ 2000

Minutes

Attendance:

Directors
Alex Walsh

Committee

D. Byrne (President)x	E. Crinion
J. Hughes (Hon. Sec.)	N. Smyth
A. Duane (Treasurer)	Sinead Byrne
L. Greer	
F. Rowan	

Members

Aoife Horgan	Paddy Ryan
Fiona Ryan	Sheena McDonald
Christian Donagh	Alex Walsh
Aoife Hofler	Alvin Deasy
Eoin Williams	Philip Trickett

Observers

Soren Laugesen

Apologies:
Ian Venner

***1**.Opening*

The President D. Byrne opened the AGM at 8.05pm 2005 and thanked everyone for attending and for their voluntary efforts over the past year.

***2**.Apologies, proxies and questions received.*

The Hon Secretary noted the apologies received (listed above). There were no proxies or questions received.

***3.**Previous Minutes*

The Hon Secretary presented the Minutes of the IODAI Annual General Meeting held on 10 December 2024 by Zoom. The Minutes were proposed by D. Byrne and seconded by L. Greer and accepted. There were no matters arising.

***4.**Presentation of Reports*

A copy of all reports presented is appended.

The President, D. Byrne, presented his report. In particular D. Byrne thanked all the committee members for their support over his time on committee and as President as well as all the sailors in the fleet. He noted the success of the Teams and the growth of the class in Ireland.

F. Rowan presented the Events portion of the AGM reports. Noting the increase in participation and the success of using the GPS trackers at Nationals. F. Rowan also presented on the potential use of the trackers in the 2026 season.

The Treasurer, A. Duane, presented the Financial Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 2024. A. Duane noted that the Accounts are not audited, in view of the size of the company and appropriate exemptions. A. Duane set out the expenditure to date in 2024, illustrated the investment made in the fleet by the class during the season, and the need to put that on a sustainable footing for future years. A. Duane thanked Kerr & Co and their directors for their assistance in preparing and approving the financial statements.

The Financial Statements were proposed by A. Duane, seconded by J. Hughes, and accepted.

***5**.Re-appointment of Accountants.*

The re-appointment of Kerr Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors was proposed by A. Duane and seconded by J. Hughes , and accepted.

***6.**Election of Directors.*

The election of P.Ryan as Director was proposed by J. Hughes and seconded by D. Byrne and elected by acclaim. Andrew Crosbie is stepping down from the role.

***7**.Election of General Committee Members*

The election of each of the IODAI Committee Members as set out below were proposed by D. Byrne, seconded by J.Hughes and elected by acclaim.

- Eoghan Williams (SLYC)
- Aoife Hofler (NYC)
- Philip Lawton (RSGYC)
- Sinead Crowley (KYC)
- Christian Donagh (RSGYC)
- Edwin Crinion (RSGYC)
- Sheena Murray (SDC)

It was noted that Fiona Ryan will undertake the Child Safety Officer role as a non-committee member.

8. Election of President, Vice President, Treasurer and Honorary Secretary

The election for each of the positions as set out below were proposed and seconded as noted and elected by acclaim.

Role	**Nominee**	**Proposer**	**Seconder**
President	J. Hughes	D. Byrne	F. Rowan
Vice-President	F Rowan	J. Hughes	Edwin Crinion
Hon. Secretary	A. Horgan	F. Rowan	J. Hughes
Hon. Treasurer	A. Duane	D. Byrne	N. Smyth

9.Any Other Business

Incoming president J. Hughes thanked the outgoing President D. Byrne for his leadership throughout 2025.